THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Central Investments are primarily in large industrial projects of a basic character. The location of such projects has, therefore, to be decided on broad techno-economic considerations. It has been ihe policy of the Government that subject to these considers 'tions comparatively backward regions are given preference in the location *oi* Central Projects.

(b) The details of incentives [con-cessiorts given to entrepreneurs for setting up industries in identified in dustrially backward districts [areas are given in the Booklet "Incentives for Industries *in* Backward Areas' read with Press Note No, 14i2i83-DBA-I dated 9-4-1985, copies of which are available in the Parliament Lib rary.

Negative growth rate for capital goods

2168. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY b.: pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact -hat several industrial groups making cap'ial goods have registered negative rater, of growth ranging from five to fifty three per cent between April and October, 1985;

(b) if so, whether it is because of the liberalised import policy of the Government; and ..._.,

(c) if so, Viiat corrective measuires are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVEI^OPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Certain ca-pitnl good).; industries registered no-gat've rates of growth during April-October, *ims.*

(b) and (c) Import and Export Policy is formulated having regard to iiidi£enou8 production!availability and country's overall requirements. Liberal imporis aro allowed only in respect of items not available or net manufactured in the country, with a view to increase indigenous production as well as to increaGe exports. However, impori and export pol-cy is kept vmder constant review and, whenever necessary, in public' inte-xest, it is suitably amended without . changing its basic structure.

Varioui3 measures have been taken for continued growth in production of capital goods industries. These includes enhancing their capabilities to face international competition through suitable changes in industrial and fical policies, encouraging Gcftiemes of modernisation an'1 providing assistance in adequate availability of in:^-' puts.

Equipment requirement ^o' Thermal Power Generation

2169 SHRI K. MOHANAN-
SHRI DIPEN KHOSH:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the plan assessment for the Seventh Plan period in report of requirement of thermal power^ Generation equipment; .

(b) how much of the same is going to be procured from indigenous sources;

(c) the total indigenous thermal power feneration equipment manu-fartuHurr f^pacity—whole plan period assessment;

(d) the total hydet power generation equipment manufacturing capacity in the countrj'—annually;

(e) the total requirement of 'nydel fTeneration equipment during the Se venth Five Year Plan; and

(f) hydc'l power equipment to be procured from indigenous sources for the Seventh Five Year Plan?